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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Plans and Programs Staff, OL
FROM : [REDACTED]
Chief, Systems Analysis Branch, OL
SUBJECT : Communications Requirements for FY 1979 - 1983

While this Branch does not have any requirements for communications we certainly feel it would be advantageous to project communications requirements as related to Office of Logistics (OL) data processing systems. If the projections are logical and come to pass OL will benefit from the effect of long range planning. If the projections are not correct and prove to be victims of change, for whatever reason, the projections are subject to cancellation with little loss.

Supposition 1 - Automation of the [REDACTED]

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The depot would have an independent data processing facility managing issues receipts and warehousing.

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Communications lines between Headquarters [REDACTED]

GSA.

and [REDACTED]

Supposition 2 - No Automation at the [REDACTED]

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Need for automation would place a greater reliance on the central computing facility generating the requirement for at least, a Remote Job Entry Station requiring an upgrading of existing facilities.

Supposition 3 - [REDACTED] Continues as an Operational Station

Requirement for a terminal into the [REDACTED] If Office of Communications (OC) develops a method of enciphering dial-up data communications that would be sufficient. If not, a leased line would be required.

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Supposition 4 - [] Office Develops
an Independent Computing Facility for
the Tracking of Work Tasks Associated
with its Function

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Information necessary in the [] system would be
available in a data format. If OC develops a method
of enciphering dial-up data communications this
would serve to pass data into the [] system. If
not a leased circuit may be required.

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Supposition 5 - [] Office Ceases
to Exist.

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Procurement Division will require some method of
accessing [] Vendor information through
some Government Agency. Communications requirement
if volume remains substantial.

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Supposition 6 - Interdepartmental Support Branch Establishes
a Link to Defense Supply Agency

The link should be established in 1977-1978. If it
functions well there will be a substantial increase
in data for cataloging and transportation. The
communications link would probably require upgrading
and cryptographic incorporation.

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